

OLD GOD

Plants His Footsteps on the Sea And Rides Upon the Storm.

To Smash the Damfool Christian Hypocrites, Who Were Worshipping Him On Easter Sunday.

The Boss Joss Knocks Sky-Busters and Gospel Shams "Seven Ways From Sunday."

Tornado and Flood and Fire Scattered Brains and Blood and Bibles and Easter Bonnets All in a Horrible Heap.

Show What Role "Our Heavenly Father" Played in the "Resurrection" of His "Onliest Only Begotten."

"Quakerism" All Solid—Didn't Tetch a Hair Er My Head or Whiskers.

If any thing could have been lacking to teach anyone except an ignorant, stupid Christian fool, and bigot, that "God" don't care any more for a Christian preacher than he does for a tumbler, the "old Governor" was certainly in evidence to that effect on Easter Sunday, March 20, "A. D." 1902.

If "God" had shown a one-hundredth part of the animus toward the infidel when celebrating the birthday of "Tom Paine, all over America, and his hand on the 27th of January, that he showed against the Christians on last Easter Sunday, while they were gathered in their Joss houses to show their fluency and to blow their barons and organs about Christ, having risen from the dead, every Christian newspaper and pulpit in the land and every old lying and thieving politician and editor in America would have been and for forty years to come he joined in one solid howl of praise to God that he had at last blasted the blatant infidels, who had been for years, ridiculing his holy religion, his blessed Bible and his darling Sky-pilots. And yet expecting the old niggers, Rev. P. Vinson, there was not a preacher in Lexington from Dean Lee down to Zachary, the Campbellite, who did not know that he was lying about the old "resurrection" yarn that had been worn about here in other religions before Christianity was invented, and lying about it simply because it was a better story than the old "resurrection" yarn, to "swindle" some out of their money and to "lie like lightning bolts without doing one hard turn of labor."

All of these preachers are a gang of swindling fakirs is shown by the fact that you can see by date of them into an argument with one, because they know that I would expose them and prove, in minute detail, that all I here assert about them.

All the information that I give you under this head is taken from the Courier-Journal of Monday, March 21, that being a newspaper of such established religious orthodoxy that while it might lie in support of the Christian religion, as all Christians are instructed to do in Roman Hi-li, it would never lie against Christianity.

I can only give the big headlines in smaller type and parts of the Associated Press reports.

CHURCHES

DESTROYED BY A STORM DURING EASTER SERVICES.

FORTY PERSONS ARE INJURED.

BENEATH THE WRECKING OF A CEILING.

LIGHTNING STRIKES THE SPIRE AND HURLS IT THROUGH ROOF, INJURING SIX WORSHIPERS—PROPERTY LOST.

A MINISTER FATALLY HURT.

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INFIDELITY IN SECULAR JOURNALISM.

One of the most encouraging facts in the current history of infidelity is that our infidel writers are having free and unlimited access to our ordinary secular newspaper.

In the Cass County Democrat of Atlantic, Iowa, of March 27, under the heading "The Apology of an Infidel," there is an article of nearly three columns written by L. De Lano, of that city. It is straight out unadulterated infidelity and is very learned and laudatory in a fine many spirit.

A reply of less than a column to it by R. L. Harris, in no way, so weak that the contrast between the two is bound to do good for infidelity.

De Lano's piece is a reply, to a sermon by a preacher of the significant name Sunday.

I will give some extracts from De Lano and some from Harris.

From De Lano we have as follows: "Rev. Sunday also claimed that Christ was the only begotten Son of the Father; that Christ was of substance and divine origin, and that he was with the Father from the beginning and a part of the Holy Trinity."

"I am not a believer in ghosts, holy or unholy, I am not a believer in spirits, angels or devils; and I do believe that every effect must be traced to its cause, and that nothing ever did or ever will happen by or through the interposition of the supernatural, and whatever we are today and whatever we will be in the future is the result and result of the past, and you will allow me the necessary space in the columns of your paper to state some of the reasons for my unbelief in the miraculous conception of Jesus Christ and in his divine origin."

"Again, such scholars and theologians as Schmidt, Schleiermacher, Weyher and many others have admitted that the authors of the Matthew and Luke gospels considered Jesus to be the natural and actual son of Joseph. If the authors of these two gospels did not so understand it, why did they set out the genealogy of Joseph, and why descended from David?"

"Now, let me enumerate a few of the religious and moral teachers, the founders of the religions of the world, law-givers and military leaders, who are said to have been conceived in supernatural manner, and who are descended from David?"

"Zoroaster was born of an immaculate conception by a ray from Divine Reason."

"Pythagoras was born of a conception by a specter or ghost of the God Apollo."

"In India, Krishna was born of a virgin, who was a devotee of the god Devaki, who, on the day of her purity, was selected to become the mother of the god Krishna."

"Buddha was born of the virgin Maya, or Mary. Buddha left Paradise and came down to earth filled with compassion for the sins and miseries of mankind, and he sought to lead them into better paths and took their suffering upon himself."

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